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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: WORLD ABC FLIGHT

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1. SUBJECT WORLD FLIGHT DISCUSSED WITH DEPT. OF TRADE.
CARTER TOLD US HE HAD ALREADY BEEN IN CONTACT WITH WORLD
REP TOM HUGHES ON THIS. HE SAID ON SIMILAR FLIGHT EARLY
MARCH WORLD WAS ABLE TO ADJUST TAKE-OFF TIME OF RETURN
OPERATION BY FEW HOURS TO CHANGE DURATION FROM 9 TO 10
DAYS AND THAT WORLD WAS CONSIDERING SAME ACTION ON THIS
FLIGHT, THUS AVOIDING MINIMUM STAY PROBLEM.

2. ON SUBSTITUTION, WE WERE ADVISED BY DOT THAT UK
WOULD FIND IT VERY EMBARRASSING WITH ITS ECAC PARTNERS
TO ALLOW SUBSTITUTION PROPOSED BEFORE UK HAD EVEN HAD
OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLAIN AD REFERENDUM AGREEMENT TO THEM.
HE NOTED WORLD HAD ON PREVIOUS FLIGHT GOTTEN AROUND
PROBLEM BY WITHDRAWING SUBSTITUTED PASSENGERS.

3. SUBSEQUENT TO DISCUSSION WITH DEPT. OF TRADE, WE
TALKED TO HUGHES WHO TOLD US RELATIVELY SHORT DELAY ON
RETURN FLIGHT (SIX OR EIGHT HOURS) COULD BE ARRANGED TO
MEET 10 DAY MINIMUM STAY RULE.
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4. COMMENT: IN SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSION WITH HUGHES AND
DEPT. OF TRADE WE WERE INFORMED THAT GORDON-CUMMINGS OF
UK EMBASSY WASHINGTON HAD CALLED ROQERS (DOT) TO SEE
WHAT COULD BE DONE TO MAKE EXCEPTION ON SUBSTITUTION RULE
FOR MARCH 19 AND ONE OTHER FLIGHT TO BE OPERATED LATER IN

MONTH BY WORLD. ROGERS TOLD GORDON-CUMMINGS EXCEPTIONS NOT POSSIBLE SINCE UK HAD NOT HAD A CHANCE YET TO WORK OUT ARRANGEMENTS WITH ECAC. WE ASSUME DEPARTMENT HAS ALREADY RECEIVED THIS REPORT FROM UK EMBASSY. IT SEEMS TO US FINAL CONCLUSION OF GOOD COMPROMISE REACHED ON CHARTER MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TO BE EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 1977, TO APRIL 1, 1978 (REF (B)) SHOULD NOT BE JEOPARDIZED BY PRESSING UK TO FACILITATE ONE OR TWO FLIGHTS WHICH CAN WITH RELATIVELY LITTLE DIFFICULTY BE BROUGHT INTO LINE WITH CURRENT UK RULES.

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